

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appln. Serial No. : 10/599,921
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Entitled : FRACTURE PREDICTION DEVICE FOR SPOT
WELDED PORTION, METHOD OF THE SAME,
COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND COMPUTER
READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM
Group Art Unit : 2123
Examiner : Nithya Janakiraman
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

EXAMINER:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 6, 2010, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 13-16 and 25-28, and add new claims 33-40 as provided below in the associated claim listing on separate sheets: